

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: KEIRSGIETER, Petrus Jacobus

SERIAL NO.: 10/597,670

ART UNIT: 3732

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EXAMINER: Ballinger, M. R.

TITLE: DENTAL TREATMENT APPARATUS

PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION
FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)
STATEMENT OF FACTS

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(a), the following is a statement of delay caused by unavoidable circumstances.

1. The present application was filed on 9 April 2007 as a U.S. national stage application of PCT/NL05/000070 with a priority claim.
2. A first Office Action was sent on 3 September 2008, indicating that the pending claims (Claims 1-12) were rejected. The deadline for response was 3 December 2008.
3. The response to the response to the Office Action was not filed, and the application was constructively abandoned on 3 March 2009.
4. A Notice of Abandonment was received on March 12, 2009.
5. Applicant did not intend for the application to be abandoned. Applicant did not intend to fail to respond the Office Action of 3 September 2008.

6. The present petition is less than three months after the date the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office sent the notice of abandonment. The present petition is filed before June 12, 2009.
7. The present petition is less than one year after the date of actual abandonment by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on 3 March 2009.
8. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) was unintentional.

Applicant petitions for revival based upon unintentional delay, and Applicant has included a proper response, comprising Amendment A with amended drawings, specification and claims. Applicant files the required reply to secure revival of the patent application for consideration on the merits and eventual issuance of allowable subject matter by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The present Petition for Revival is less than one year of the actual abandonment and less than three months after receiving notice of Abandonment. The entire period of delay, until the filing of the present grantable petition, was unintentional.

Applicant respectfully requests granting the Petition to Revive because the abandonment was unintentional. Applicant respectfully contends that the application is now in a proper condition for consideration on the merits. The government fee of \$810 for a small entity is attached. Any additional fees for the petition to revive or any overpayment with regard to this petition may be credited or debited to Deposit Account 08-0879.

Respectfully submitted,

June 8, 2009, 2009
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached correspondence comprising:

PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b))

is being deposited by electronic filing on June 8, 2009.

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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT
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The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the office notice or action plus an extensions of time actually obtained.

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee - required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

1. Petition fee
☒ Small entity-fee \$ 810 (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ Other than small entity - fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m))
2. Reply and/or fee

A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in the form of Amendment A (identify type of reply):

☐ has been filed previously on _____
☒ is enclosed herewith.

B. The issue fee and publication fee (if applicable) of \$ 755.

☐ has been paid previously on _____
☐ is enclosed herewith.

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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.137(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 1.0 hour to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

- ☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ _____ for a small entity or \$ _____ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D)).]

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being:

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